

2005 FWSA Athletic Scholarship Awards

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2005 was the second year Far West Ski Association awarded Scholarships to deserving junior alpine racers. Applicants must reside in one of the six western states where FWSA has a presence or compete in a United States Ski Association (USSA) sanctioned program in one of these states.

Funding for our Scholarships is provided by **Big Mountain Resort, Grouse Mountain Lodge,** and **Schure Sports, Inc,** makers of **Karbon** brand ski clothing. From donations by these fine enterprises, FWSA was able to accrue \$1,750. The Association added \$250 so that we were able to award a total of \$2,000 in Scholarships.

Applicants were evaluated on: Financial Need – 30%; Academics – 25%; Prior Competitive Achievements – 20%; Community Activities – 15%; and their Goals and Desires – 10%.

This year the decision process was much more difficult than in the inaugural year of 2004 due to the volume of applications received by The Committee. A total of nine applications were received, from which The Committee awarded three Scholarships.



\$750 Scholarship

Anton Hilts is a J2 racer who races with the Mt. Bachelor Ski Education Foundation. He attends Summit High School in Bend, Oregon where he maintains a 3.8 GPA. As a J3 during the 2004 - 2005 season, Anton won two races at the national level: The Giant Slalom at the Lake Placid Race of Champions, and the Super G at the Junior Olympics at Snowbird, UT.

\$750 Scholarship

Chris Hinkley is a J2 racer who competes for the Sugar Bowl Ski Team. He attends Sugar Bowl Academy in Norden, California, where he maintains 4.0 GPA. Chris, whose parents live in Juneau, AK, showed strong finishes in many races throughout the west in his first year of competition at the J2 level.



\$500 Scholarship

Andee Wallace is a J3 racer who competes for the Mt. Bachelor Ski Education Foundation. She entered Summit High School in Bend, Oregon in September. In her first year as a J3, Andee returned several fine finishes in local races in the Pacific Northwest.